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PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 06556.0003-03

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
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John POLK ) Group Art Unit: 2716  
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Serial No.: Unassigned ) Examiner: E. Cosimano  
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Filed: October 11, 2001 )  
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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR )  
PAYMENT PROCESSING USING )  
DEBIT-BASED ELECTRONIC )  
FUNDS TRANSFER AND )  
DISBURSEMENT PROCESSING )  
USING ADDENDUM-BASED )  
ELECTRONIC DATA )  
INTERCHANGE )

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application  
as follows:

**IN THE TITLE:**

Please amend the title to read "METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR CHILD  
SUPPORT PAYMENT PROCESSING AND CHILD SUPPORT DISBURSEMENT  
PROCESSING."

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